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SENATOR WARNER: What guidelines would be used with that wording?

SENATOR CAVANAUGH: Well I'd assume that you'd put a proposition on the ballot that the county would put a proposition on the ballot and abide by the results.

SENATOR WARNER: It would be a simple majority of those voting.

SENATOR CAVANAUGH: Right.

SENATOR WARNER: Fine. I just wanted to make it clear that that was the intent, Senator Cavanaugh. I'm not sure that wording accomplishes that.

SENATOR CAVANAUGH: OK.

SENATOR MAHONEY: There being no other debaters, Senator John Cavanaugh, III will close.

SENATOR CAVANAUGH: I don't think any closing is necessary. I think this is a beneficial amendment. I just urge its adoption.

SENATOR MAHONEY: This is to return LB 339 for a specific amendment, if I'm correct. So, Mr. Clerk. Record your vote.

CLERK: Senator Mahoney voting no.

SENATOR MAHONEY: Mr. Clerk, record the vote.

CLERK: 15 ayes, 28 nays, Mr. President.

SENATOR MAHONEY: The motion loses.

CLERK: Yes, Mr. President, I have another motion on the desk. To return LB 339 to Select File for a specific amendment. (Read amendment offered by Senator Mills found on page 558 in the Journal).

SENATOR MAHONEY: Jack Mills.

SENATOR MILLS: Mr. President, members of the body. It's about time we woke up and see what we're really doing here. We really want to help get the race tracks going. Yesterday emphasized that. This will simply push that forward faster. We will be changing 3 percent to 5 percent which will help the monies bringing in, although it's 40 percent of the people in Nebraska who are paying that 40 percent. We're lowering the qualifying rate from 6 to 2, therefore bringing in more money for a bigger and better convention center for bigger and better race tracks and agriculture pavilions. I don't think there's a lot of discussion. Everybody understands the merit of it. I hope that you will vote for that amendment.

SENATOR MAHONEY: Senator Koch.